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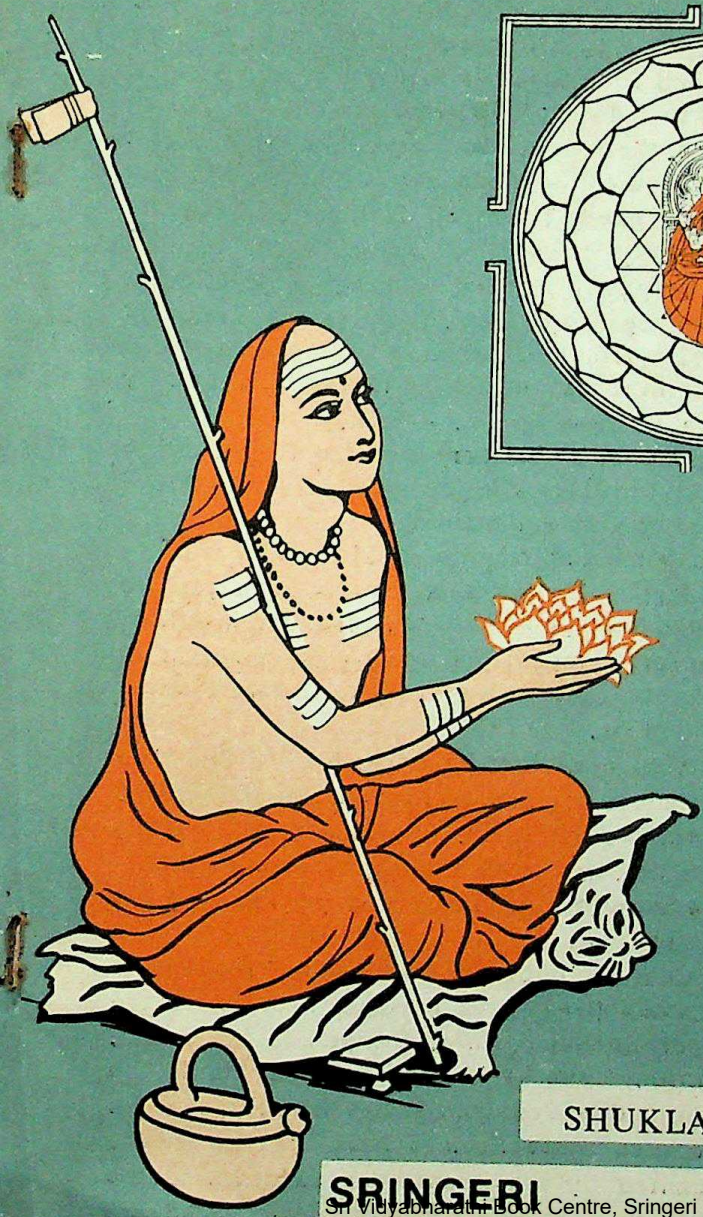

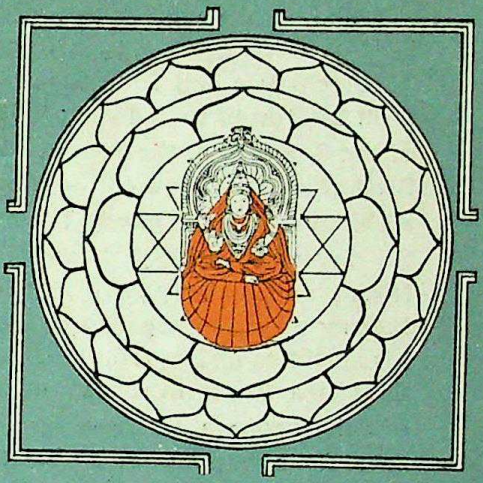

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Joint Message of Four Amnaya Peethacharyas

Issued at the Historic Sammelan at Sringeri in 1979

[After Adi Shankaracharya's time, the Peetadhipathis of the Four Amnaya Peethas-Sringeri, Dwaraka, Badri & Puri, founded by Bhagavathpada, met for the first time in 1979. That was at the Historic Sammelan of the Four Amnaya Peethacharyas and Their Shishyas that was held at Sringeri from 30th April to 2nd May 1979. Towards the conclusion of the Sammelan, the Four Peethacharyas, Their Holinesses: Sri Abhinava Vidyatheertha Maha Swamiji of Sringeri ,Sri Abhinava Satchidananda Theerthaji Maharaj of Dwaraka, Sri Swaroopanandaji Maharaj of Jyotish Math and Sri Niranjanadeva Theerthaji Maharaj of Puri, issued a Joint Message to the people of Bharath. The Message is relevant for all times and worth recapitulating on the eve of this Shankara Jayanthi which marks the 12th Birth Centenary of Sri Shankara Bhagavathpada. —Editor]

1. This meeting of the Acharyas of the Four Peethas founded by Adi Shankara Bhagavathpada is a historical one. Never before in the hallowed history of Bharatha Varsha has such a meeting taken place. It augurs well for the future of Sanatana Dharma that the four Acharyas are not merely united in purpose, but are now united in action.

2. Adi Shankara Bhagavatpada was an incarnation of Lord Shiva. He came down to the earth to restore Dharma and destroy Adharma,

In a short span of life, he re-established Sanatana Dharma, and showed the path of salvation for all persons, from the lowliest to the highest, from the simple person who could do no more than utter the name of God in prayer, to the saint who is well on the way to realising the unity of all creation.

3. To provide for an unbroken continuity of His Divine Mission, he established Four Amnaya Peethas in the four corners of Bharata Varsha; Sringeri in the South, Badri in the North, Dwaraka in the West and Puri in the East, each with its own Veda and Mahavakya. The Pontiffs who have adorned these Peethas have carried on the great task started by the Bhagavathpada down to the

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DIVYADHUNEE MAKARANDEY
PARIMALAPARIBHOGA SATCHIDAANANDEY
SREEPATHI PADAARAVINDEY
BHAVABHAYA KHEDACCHIDEY VANDEY

I prostrate at the flower-like two feet of Sri Lakshmipathi, which have Aakasaganga as the pollen and Satchidananda as the pleasent odour: and which destroy the torment born out of the fear of Samsara.

As long as the feelings of 'I' and 'mine' persist, the mind won't remain at peace; the desire for sense-objects would not diminish. The person who is self-centred will not have compassion towards other living beings.

In the firstsloka (refer April Issue) the prayer has been to remove this 'I-ness' and 'mine-ness', For this same purpose, in this sloka, the feet of the Lord are taken refuge of.

Ganga is the pollen nectar that surge out of the feet of the Lord. Satchidananda is the aroma that comes out of Lord's feet and spreads every where. These are the lotus-like feet that are capable of destroying the pain and dispelling the fear of Samsara.

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SRINGERI CALENDER

For the Month of June 1989

June

1st : **Prodosha Puja** at Sri Shakthi Ganapathy Shrine, in the evening.

5th : **Aaraadhana** of Parameshti Guru Sri Narasimha Bharathi Mahaswami. Puja at the Adhistanam by H. H. Sri Maha Sannidhanam.

7th : **Vara Charthurthi** : Special Puja in the forenoon, to Sri Rathnagarbha Ganapathy at Satchidananda Vilas, Narasimha Vanam.

16th : **Prodosha Puja** at Sri Shakthi Ganapathy Shrine, in the evening.

22nd : Sankatahara Chathurthi: Night Puja to Sri Thorana Ganapathy.

30th : **Pradosha Puja** at Sri Shakthi Ganapathy Shrine, in the evening.

SRINGERI WEATHER

Agni Nakshathra (dog—days) started with a very heavy down pour of rain. There are occassional showers. Days are hot and nights are pleasant.

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A Sishya of Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetham, keen on doing voluntary service and willing to come & stay at Sringeri, is welcome to join 'Call of Shankara'.

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DEVELOPE ATHMA GUNAS

Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam
H. H. Sri Abhinava
Vidyatheertha Mahaswami

(Continued from previous issue)

ANASUYA is freedom from jealousy. One may see some good qualities in others which one does not possess. Immediately one begins finding fault and belittling the other. Instead of admiring the good qualities and making endeavours to acquire such qualities, that person's task is confined to picking holes. Room for such envy must not be allowed. On the other hand, one must cultivate the habit of admiring the good qualities in others.

The fourth quality listed by sage Goutama is SHOUCHAM or purity. It mainly concerns cleanliness & hygine. Some stink and spread bad odour as they do not clean their teeth properly, do not rub their body while taking bath nor wash their cloths well. They become used to the foul odour emenating from them and are unaware of the repulsion they cause in others. Similar is the person who uses the saliva for wetting the fingers for turning the pages of books. All things and other persons are freely touched with the same fingers and they do not understand the abhorrence caused to others. These are forms of impurities. Keeping ourselves clean and wearing well-washed cloths would constitute Purity and is stipulated.

(the Advice to Students, to be continued)

'Salutations to the Lotus Feet of our Guru
who illumines the dark corners of our mind'
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Dharma Vijaya Yathra of Jagadguru Sannidhanam H. H. SRI BHARATHI THEERTHA MAHASWAMIJI in Andhra Pradesh from 13-5-89 To 3-6-89

DATE	PLACE OF DEPARTURE	PLACE OF ARRIVAL	DISTRICT
13-5-89	Hyderabad	Palem	Mahaboobnagar
14-5-89	Palem	Pentlavelli	-do-
15-5-89	Pentlavelli (Kumbabhishekam in the newly constructed temple at JATAPROLU)	Srisailam	Kurnool
16-5-89	Srisailam	Sundipenta	-do-
17-5-89	Sundipenta (Srisailam project)	Narasaraopet	Guntur
18-5-89 to 21-5-89	[Halt at Narasaraopet for Prathista Kumbabhisheka to Sri Sharada Devi and Sri Shankara Bagavathpada at the newly constructed shrines at Sri Sringeri [Shankara Math, Narasaraopet on 21-5-89		
22-5-89	Narasaraopet	Chilakaluripet	-do-
23-5-89	Chilakaluripet	Guntur	-do-
24-5-89	Halt at Sri Sringeri Shankara Math,		-do-
&	Sampath Nagar,		-do-
25-5-89	Guntur-522 004		-do-
26-5-89	Guntur	Vijayawada	Krishna
27-5-89	Halt at Vijayawada		-do-
28-5-89	Vijayawada	Gudivada	-go-
29-5-89	Gudivada	Bhimavaram	West Godavari
30-5-89	& Halt at		-do-
31-5-89	Bhimavaram		-do-
01-6-89	Bhimavaram	Gangalakurru	East Gadavari
02-6-89	Gangalakurru	Rajahmundry	-do-
03-6-89	Halt at Sri Sringeri Shankara Math, Godavari Bund, Rajahmundry-533101		

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CONQUER YOUR ENEMIES

Jagadguru Sannidhanam
H. H. Sri Bharathi Theertha
Mahaswami

(Continued from previous issue)

To the querry of Jagadguru Sri Satchidananda Sivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswamiji, the Forest Officer replied that he occassionally lost his temper. Then the following conversation took place:

Acharya : What do you do when you are angry?

Officer : I display the anger at my subordinate.

Acharya : If that be the case, what does he do?

Officer : He pours it forth on his assistant.

Acharya : Do you see how one man's anger gives trouble to so many?

Officer : I admit my fault. Kindly tell me a remedy.

Acharya : There are three types of men. Some foresee that they are going to get angry. Some who are unable to foresee anger emenating, are able to realise after the onset of the wrath, that they are angry. Some others recognise their anger only in retrospect, after the damage had been done. Amongest these categories of people, to which one do you belong?

Officer : I do not belong to the first category, but I am one of those of the second set of people.

Acharya : Then, join the first group by thinking even before the onset of anger, "Is it fair on my part to give room to wrath?" Such analysis would forestall anger.

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The concerned officer paid his obeisence to the Guru and left for the place where he was camping. It was past midday by the time he reached the place and he was already very hungry. He was expecting that his servant would have kept food ready on the dining table.. There was only one plate covered with a lid. He lifted the lid and found only two rotis which were inadequate to appease his hunger. A wave of anger arose and he was about to lose his temper and shout at his servant who was standing there. However, he immediately recalled the advice of the Acharya. He called the servant and enquired why he had prepared only two rotis and nothing else. The servant replied that the person who went to the nearby village to fetch provisions had not returned and that he wanted to appease the hunger of his officer a little atleast, by preparing two rotis with the available flour. For himself, he had not prepared anything. He was prepared to remain hungry and wait till the provisions arrived. The officer could now appreciate the concern of his servant towards his master and his generosity. He expressed his thanks and happiness to the servant. The officer mentally thanked the Acharya for the advice which saved him from committing the sin of scolding the innocent servant who has been so loyal.

We too must think before allowing wrath to raise its head. If we make it a point to analyse the situation and find out the reasons, there will be no room for anger.

—to be continued

'Gurur Brahma Gurur Vishnu Gurur Devo Maheshwaraha
Guru: Saakshaath Param Brahma Tasmai Sree Guravey Namaha'

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Jagadguru Sri Mahasannidhanam Inagurates Sri Shankara Jayanthi Celebrations at Guruvayur

On 8th May, Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H, Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji left Kalaty for Guruvayur. On the way, His Holiness visited Devaraja Iyer's house at Puthukad and Sri Rama Temple where Kumbabhishekam was performed that day.

When the Jagadguru reached Guruvayur in the evening Shri P. N. Narayanan, Chairman of Devaswam Board, Shri Balachandran, Administrator, Shri Chandrahasan and Kumaran, Committee Members received the Shankaracharya with all temple honours, with seven Elephants, Panchavaadyam etc. His Holiness had special darshan of Sri Krishna and offered Silk Vastra & Kanikke. H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam visited Anjnan Krishnan Nambudir's house and had darshan of the Krishna Idol that was worshipped by Poonthanam.

At the Temple Auditorium, Sri Shankara Jayanthi Celebrations were inaugurated by H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam: It was a three-day function and it is the first time that Sri Shankara Jayanthi is being celebrated by the Guruvayur Temple. It is going to be an annual feature hereafter. This year, it also happened to be the celebration of the 12th Birth Centenary of Sri Adi Shankara. Sri T. L. Viswanatha Iyer, High Court Judge was the Chief Guest. Prof. R. N. Narayanan welcomed all.

The moment the celebrations were started in the august presence of Jagadguru Shankaracharya of Dakshinamnaya Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetham, there was an unprecedented down-pour of rain, which continued for about an hour. Guruvayur area which was parched for many months now had this welcome rain and speakers referred to Rishya Sringa and the visit of Jagadguru who brought rain and prosperity to people.

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In the Anugraha Bhashanam, H.H.Sri Mahasannidhanam referred to the visit of Adi Shankara to Guruvayur and the regulation of Puja Proceedures in the Temple.

After Blessing the Board Chairman, Committe Members with Shawl, His Holiness returned to Kalaty in the night.

SRINGERI NEWS

SRI SHANKARA JAYANTHI CELEBRATIONS AT SRINGERI

Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava commenced on 6th April at Sri Sringeri Marh. There was SathaRudra Abhisheka daily in the forenoon to the Murthi of Adi Shankara at Sri Shankaracharya Shrine, with Special Puja, Alankara and Chaturveda Seva.

On 10th April, on the Jayanthi day, there was a big gathering of devotees who were immersed in devotion during the Abhisheka and Puja.

Daily in the evening, the Uthsava Murthi of Adi Shankara was taken in procession along the main streets of Sringeri, with Elephants, Umbrellas & other paraphernalia, Nadaswara and Vedic Chants. The streets were decorated with Rangoli and in all houses, people offered flowers, cocoanuts etc., had Aarathi darshanand received prasadam. This Utsava Murthi is the one worshipped daily by H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam at Satchidananda Vilas Ashram.

Confederation of Unesco Clubs

Shri K.S.Balakrishnan, the Head Master of Sri Jagaduru Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Balika Proudha Shala, who attended the All India Training Course of Directors of School Unesco Clubs, at Delhi in April 89, is the recepient of 'A' Category Certificate. This School Club has been given a cash award in appreciation of the neat & innovative presentation of the Club's Report.

A Confederation of Unesco Clubs and Associations of India has been created at the Delhi Convention and Shri K. S. Balakrishnan has become a Founder - Member of the Confederation.

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DHARMA VIJAYA YATHRA OF
H. H. SRI MAHASANNIDHANAM

Jagadguru Shankaracharya Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji started on 27th April '89 on a Dharma Vijaya Yathra in the States of Karnataka and Kerala.

April 27th

AT ASHWATHTHAPURA

On the way to Mangalore, H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam visited Ashwaththapura near Mudibidri and laid the Foundation Stone for Sri Ganapathi Temple by the side of Sri Ramachandra Temple. This Ganapathy Temple had been visualised by late P. Narayanappa, a great devotee who was instrumental in constructing Sri Shankara Math at Ashwaththapura. It is being executed by his family members. In the Anugraha Bhashana, His Holiness explained the necessity of Sagunopasana and blessed the persons concerned for the speedy execution of the Temple work. Dr. P. N. Krishnamurthy Professor, Kasturiba Medical College, Mangalore, offered pranams to the Jagadguru on behalf of the devotees.

AT KOTEKAR

Jagadguru Sri Mahasannidhanam was received with Purna Kumba at Sri Sringeri Math, at Kotekar by the Dharmadhikari, Shri Bolava SathyaShankar, Dr. M. C. Shastri and other devotees.

April 28th

Visit to Chakrapani Gopinath Temple

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam visited Sri Chakrapani Gopinatha Temple at Attawara, Mangalore and was present when Poornaahuthi was offered in the Chandi Homam that was being performed there.

AT PAYYANUR

His Holiness was received by the President & office bearers of Gowda Saraswatha Samaj, Brahmana Sangham, Viswa Hindu Parishath and other organisations on 28th evening at Payyanur.

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In the Anugraha Bhashana, H.H. Sri Mahasannidhanam explained the situation that obtained when Sri Shankara was born and how Bhagawathpada was able to strike a balance among the different types of worship and bring all people back to vedic path.

April 29th Morning TULUVANNUR

His Holiness visited Sri Mahalakshmi Temple at Tuluvannur which is 2KM from Payyanur and expressed happiness about the way the Temple is being maintained. In the Anugraha Bhashanam, H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam explained the importance of Bhakhi and how Bhakthi in its ultimate stage is Advaita.

Evening at KOZHIKODE (Calicut)

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam was accorded a grand Reception at Kozikode on 29th evening by Thali Brahmana Samuham. Justice T. L. Viswanatha Iyer of Kerala High Court, Shri Padmanabhan, D I G, alicut, Sri H. S. Subrahmanya, Com. of IT. Trivandrum, Shri D, Dasaratharaman and Shri T. R. Krishna Iyer of Trichur and other devotees welcomed the Jagadguru.

In the Anugraha Bhashanam, His Holiness explained that Avataras are many, but the same Brahman is manifesting in different forms at different times and that Sri Shankara Bhagavathpada appeared to re-establish the Vedic path.

April 30th at Kozhikode

His Holiness visited the Vettakara Mahan Temple which was being taken over by Thali Brahmana Samuham.

May 1st at Pattambi

The Jagadguru Sri Mahasannidhanam was received by the devotees of Pattambi. Shri R. Kasi Viswanathan organised the Reception. His Holiness visited the local Sri Guruvayurappan Temple.

May 2nd at Trichur

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam was received at the foot of the hillock by a large gathering of devotees. Dr. Sathyanathan, Chairman of Cochin Devaswam Board, Shri

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Karthikeyan & Shri Vasu, members of Devaswram Board, Shri Balram, Administrator of Sri Vadakkunathar Temple, Prof. Madhavan Kutty of Thiruvambadi Temple, Shri Balakrishna Menon of Paramakavu Temple, Shri Vasudeva Menon, Raja of Kollem code and office-bearers of many organisations reverentially and enthusiastically received the Jagadguru who was then takan in a grand Procession with Elephants, Umbrellas & other paraphernalia and pancha Vadyam, up to the doors of Sri Vadakkunathar Temple.

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam had darshan of Sri Vadakkunathar who was worshipped by the parents of Sri Shankara and at the Sannadhis of Sri Ganapathi and Sri Adi Shankara.

Than, there was a Public Reception in the Temple campus. Prof. Devanarayana welcomed. Phala-pushpa were offered by over 50 organisations. Dr. Sathyanathan spoke about Sringeri which is the prime Math established by Adi Shankara. Shri Karthikeyan and Therambil Shri Ramakrishnan, Ex-MLA spoke about Sri Shankara and Sri Sringeri Math. In the Anugraha Bhashanam, His Holiness observed that the setting of Sri Vedakkunathar Temple is like that of an Ashram and explained the part played by Sri Shankara in Integrating the society.

May 3rd Morning at Trichur

His Holiness visited the office of Malayalam Express. Shri K. Balakrishnan and the staff received the Jagadguru.

Evening

H.H. Sri Mahasannidhanam declared open the Regional Office of Dhanalakshmi Bank at Trichur.

On the way, His Holiness visited the Chittoor Mana of Prof. S. Narayanan Nambudiripad, the Editor of Sri Shankara Krupa (Malayalam).

at Kalaty

When the Jagadguru reached Kalaty in the evening, a grand Reception was given at Kalaty Road—Junction. Shri M. V. Mani, M.L.A. Shri Thachil George, Panchayat

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President, Shri P. E. B. Menon, Chairman of Reception Committee, Shri R. P. Pothi, Principal of Shankara College, Prof.Subrahmaniam and devotees from Perumbavur, Parur, Cochin, Ernakulam, Alapuzha, Madras, Madurai and many other places in Tamilnadu, Karnataka, Andhra, Maharastra, UP and Delhi thronged Kalaty. The Jagadguru Sri Mahasannidhanam was taken in Procession from Junction to Sri Sringeri Shankara Math. On the way every house kept parai (Paddy with Coconut, Flowers, Fruits, Lamp, Pictures of Deities and or Guru) and received the blessings of His Holiness. At the Math, Shri P.E.B. Menon, President of the Reception Committee presented a Welcome Address, Various organisations numbering thirty, offered Pushpanjali.

In the Anugraha Bhashanam, His Holiness recounted the circumstances that led to the Awatar of Sri Shankara and the achievements of Bhagavathpada and explained the efforts made by the present Acharyas in furthering the objectives for which Sri Shankara established from Maths.

May 5th

His Holiness visited Sri Shankara College at Kalaty. Shri K. V. Krishnamurthy, the Managing Director, Prof. Kalyanasundaram of Trivandrum, Shri Anantharaman of Trichur, the Directors of the College Board, Shri R.P. Pothi, the Principal of the College and the Staff & students of College accorded a hearty reverential welcome to the Jagadguru who is the Patron of the College. His Holiness declared open the newly built Library Hall.

In the Anugraha Bhashanam, H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam expressed appreciation of the services of the Teaching Staff of the College and the co-operation extended by them when the institution was in difficulties. His Holiness explained that Vidhya is of two types. One for the sake of Vyavahara and the other for Paramartha, that Sri Shankara who showed to the world the necessity of Paramartha also established Maths, and the propriety of Vyavahara Dharma. The Jagadguru advised the Teachers

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to inpart education with all zest, keeping in view the future of the students. H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam pointed out as to how much care is taken while pricking the Ear-lobes of the Child, correctly at the centre, keeping in view the beauty of the child when it grows up and wears ear-studs. Such serious and proper care should be taken to preaching within the ears of students, keeping in view the future of the students.

His Holiness went round the college and also saw the crocodile which was caught in Purna River - 24 years ago and reared in a pond in the college. It responds when people call 'Shankara'.

After the completion of Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava at Kalaty, Jagadguru H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam continued the stay at Kalaty upto 12th evening.

May 12th

In the morning, H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam laid the Foundation Stone in the Math complex, for the New Building of Adi Shankara Shanthi Nilayam (Home for Aged).

The Jagadguru, then, inaugurated the State Conference of Yogakshema Sabha at Sri Ramakrishna School Campus. His Holiness expressed happiness that the Nambudiri Community have joined the main strlam and has commenced celebration of Sri Shankara Jayanthi and His 12th Birth Centenary and that too at Kalaty, the Birth place of Adi Shankara. Yogakshema denotes obtaining what is not already possessed as well as safegaurding what has been obtained. For this, in addition to Human effort, Grace of God is essential, as emphasised by Sri Shankara.

May 12th evening At KOTTAKKAL

When Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam reached Kottakkal in Kerala on 12th evening a very grand reception was accorded by Dr. P. K. Varier & devotees of Kottakkal. His Holiness was taken in Procession to Sri Vishwambara

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Devasthanam where Duli Pada Puja was performed by Dr. Varier. His Holiness then, inagurated the newly constructed Ayurvedic Nursing Home which has been named Adi Shankara Ayurvedic Nursing Home.

The next morning H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam visited the Drug Manufacturing Unit, Herbarium, the Charitable Hospital and the Ayurvedic College run in memory of Vaidyaratnam P. S. Varier.

May 13th — At CANNANORE

H.H. Sri Mahasannidhanam visited Cannanore on 13th evening and inaugurated Sri Narayana Guru Hostel for Working Women.

May 14th — At MADHUR

The Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam was received at the famous beautiful Sri Ganapathi Temple at Madhur on 14th evening. More than 150 Vidyarthis made Vedic Chant in Chorus. In the Anugraha Bhashanam, His Holiness observed that since His visit to that place more than two decants ago, Sri Ganapathi and Sri Mahalingeswara temples and the adjoining area have developed to a great extent and the Jagadguru expressed happiness about it.

May 15th — At KUNDAPUR

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam was accorded a grand enthusiastic welcome on 15th evening at Kundapur. The devotion & joy of the large gathering of devotees were so overwhelming that the Jagadguru, when led in procession, preferred to go on foot, unmindful of the physical strain. The joy of the devotees & the members of Rama Kshathriya Sangha knew no bounds.

Attention: Math Branch Agents/Managers

The letters received from some Math Branches and some Sishyas reveal that an impression is gaining around that Mr. Purushottham Bapat of Pune is attached to 'Call of Shankara'. It is hearby clarified that Mr. Bapat is not working for Call of Shankara nor is he deputed to any place on behalf of 'Call of Shankara'. He is doing his own photo-lamination business with which we have nothing to do.

— Editor & Publisher, Call of Shankara.

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H. H. Sri Sannidhanam's Vijaya Yathra News

April 12th to 15th — At BANGALORE

On 12-4-89, the Bangalore Reception Committee arranged an Ashtavadhanam in Kannada by Shri Ganesha. It is a poetic treat consisting of extempore versification on any given subject, composing verses on given subjects with given words, composing verses without using the prohibited letters etc. It was a prevalent literary past-time in Sanskrit, Tamil and Telugu. It is new to Kannada. The Kannada experiment made by this young poet was appreciated.

On 15-4-89, it was the Rathothsava day of Sri Sharada Devi, at Bangalore. There were special Poojas, special Alankaras to Sri Sharada Devi in Sri Sringeri Shankara Math. H. H. Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji performed special Archana. The Ratha was gaily decorated and the Uthsava attracted several thousands of devotees in the Noon and Night.

The same evening H. H. Sri Sannidhanam left for Chintamani.

April 15th — At CHINTAMANI

The Chintamani devotees received His Holiness on the outskirts of the town. H. H. Sri Sannidhanam gave an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 16th — At MADANAPALLI

The Andhra Pradesh officials received H. H. Sri Sannidhanam at the border with special honours.

At Madanapalli also there was a procession. His Holiness made an Anugraha Bhashanam on 17-4-89 and left for Kalicherla.

April 17th — At KALICHERLA

The Jagadguru Sannidhanam was given a rousing reception on 17th evening at the outskirts of Kalicherla and taken in Procession inside the town. His Holiness gave an Anugraha Bhashanam.

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April 18th — At RAYACHOTI

The people of Rayachoti received His Holiness with reverence & enthusiasm, on 18th evening. The Jagadguru was taken inside the town in Procession. H. H. Sri Sannidhanam blessed them with an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 19th — At RAJAMPET

H. H. Sri Sannidhanam was welcomed by the citizens of Rajampet on 19th evening and taken in Procession through the streets of Rajampet. The Jagadguru gave an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 20th — At CUDDAPAH

On the way to Cuddapah H. H. Sri Sannidhanam paid a special visit to Siddhavatam, the western door-way to Srisailam. The condition of the Eswara Temple there, brought tears to the eyes of His Holiness and the followers in Camp. The local people felt happy at the visit of the Jagadguru and expressed hope that the visit would begin a new era of glory for the Temple at Siddhavatam.

At Cuddapah, His Holiness was received with great devotion and taken to Ammavarisala where an Anugraha Bhashanam was made.

April 21st to 23rd — At PRODDATUR

The people of Proddatur accorded a grand Reception to H. H. Sri Sannidhanam on 21st evening. His Holiness gave an Anugraha Bhashanam. The Jagadguru halted at Proddatur till 23rd evening.

April 23rd — At KOILKUNTA

H. H. Sri Sannidhanam was received at Koilkunta by the townfolk with great devotion & reverence. His Holiness gave an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 24th — At ALAMPUR

Alampur devotees gave a rousing reception to the Jagadguru on 24th evening. Alampur is the seat of the famous Sri Jogulamba - a Shakthi Peetha, on the banks of Tungabhadra. His Holiness paid special visits to important temples. H. H. Sri Sannidhanam blessed the people with an Anugraha Bhashanam.

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BRANCH NEWS

Tarekere Branch Celebrates Sri Shankara Jayanthi

The Tarekere Branch of Sri Sringeri Shankara Math Celebrated Sri Shankara Jayanthi at the Math premises. The Three day festival commencing from 8th May was attended by a large number of devotees. Every day, there was Rudrabhisheka, Sahasranama Archana and Special Puja. Sri K. Rama Iyer, the Dharmadhikari of the Math at Tarekere organised the Celebrations.

Sri Shankara Jyothi Ratham at Bombay

Sri Sringeri Sharada Vidya Kendra of Bombay organised a reverential reception to Sri Shankara Jyothi from 5th to 9th April 89. at the following places:-

5th April	—	Chembur-Public Reception
6th April	—	Chembur, Anushaktinagar, Chhedanagar, Pestomnagar, Ghatkopar & adjoining area
	—	Matunga (at Sri Shankara Math), Sion, wadala.
7th April	—	Dadar, Prabhadevi, Mahalaxmi, Bhawans, Hyderabad Estate.
8th April	—	Mahim, Bandra, Khar, Andheri, Goregaon.
9th April	—	Muland and Thane.

April 25th — At KOTHAKOTA

The devotees of Kothakota were over-whelmed with joy when H. H. Sri Sannidhanam arrived there on 25th evening. The Jagadguru gave an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 26th — At JADCHERLA

H. H. Sri Sannidhanam was received with devotion & joy by the people of Jadcherla. They were blessed with an Anugraha Bhashanam.

April 27th — the Jagadguru left for Hyderabad.

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Grand Reecption to Adi Shankara Jyothi Ratham at Nasik

Sri Shankara Jyothi Ratham reached Nasik on 9th April '89 in the afternoon. At the entrance of Lekhanagar, people of the area welcomed the Jyothi and took the Jyothi Ratham in Procession to Shri Shankara Temple. A large number devotees in two-wheelers, with Safron Flags participated in the Procession. The Trustees of the temple paid homage & Kanike. Shri P. Gopalan, Shri Sadasivam and others received the Jyothi with Purnakhalasa and Vedic Chants. Shri Koppal arranged for feeding the Ratham party.

In the evening the Holy Jyothi was received by Shri Iswarbai Shaw, the Dist & Sessions Judge, Dr. Ahir-MLA, Prof. Rasavirkar, and a large number of devotees and Viswa Hindu Parishad.

The Nasik city was immersed in devotion and on the main road, all shop keepers paid homage by ringing big Bells.

All leading Marathi Dailies carried Articles by Dr. Kulkarni, Prof. Narayan Rao Dixit, Prof. Sai Raraveerkar and other Scholars. There was a great awakening of Bhakthi due to the visit of Sri Shankara Jyothi.

The Reception Committee headed by Prof. Narayana Rao Dixit and assisted by its Secretary Shri Y. Shankara Rao and other members organised the reception. Shri Lala Seth Mandala, Dr. Dange who made the decorations, Shri Prabhakar Kulkarni, Prof. D. N. Kulkarni, Shri G. V. Iyer, the Hon. Manager of Shri Sringeri Shankara Math at Nasik and a very large number of Volunteers did yeomen service. Even Muslims made voluntary contributions for the Reception of Shri Adi Shankara Jyothi.

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PROTECT SANATHANA DHARMA !

VISIT KALATY - THE BIRTH PLACE OF ADI SHANKARA !

Joint Call of Amnaya Peethacharyas of Sringeri, Dwaraka & Jagannatha made in 1965

The omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent, all-kind Parameshwara, who created this Universe and for its eternal maintenance constituted the Sanatana Dharma as set out in the Vedas (which were expounded to the world through Brahma), found it being distorted by the evil influences of the Kaliyuga and became anxious to protect the Sanatana Dharma.

He therefore, come to this world in the form of Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada. It is well established that He was born at the world famous Kalaty Kshetram in Kerala, the holiest of places, the pre-eminent centre for inspiration, adorning the world on the banks of the Purna river, that Purifies every man in thought, word and deed, a visit to which place increases tranquility, self-restraint and other eminent virtues in those engaged in the pursuit of knowledge.

It is the duty of every common man to visit this holy Kalaty, the birth-place of Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada. And more, so it is the duty of every aspirant for liberation, the sanyasi, and those that follow the Advaita school enunciated in the Upanishads.

For the effective protection of the Vaidika Marga propounded by Him, Sri Adi Shankara Bhagavathpada established four Amnaya Peethas in the four directions, at Sringeri, Dwaraka, Badri and Jagannatha, and entrusted their management to His four Sishyas as their Pontiffs. The Successors of those four sishyas are brilliantly adorning the four Peethas and carrying out the commands of the Adi Guru. Among the four, we; H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji, H. H. Sri Abhinava Satchidananda Theerthaji Maharaj and H. H. Sri Niranjanadeva Theerthaji Maharaj three Jagadgurus of Sringeri, Dwaraka and Puri

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Mammoth Procession at Kalaty on Sri Shankara Jayanthi Day

Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam Participates

On Sri Shankara Jayanthi Day, at the Conclusion of the Public Function, in the evening of 10th May, a very grand Procession of the Uthsava Murthi of Sri Adi Shankara was held. More than 5000 devotees participated in the three pronged procession which merged at Sri Sringeri Shankara Math and then went through the main Streets of Kalaty.

One group of devotees went to Swarnatha Mane and as a symbolic replay of the incident in the Life of Sri Shankara, one Vidyarthi of the Vedapatashala dressed like young Shankara asked 'Bhavathi Bhikshaan Deyhi' and a lady from the Swarnatha Mane offered one Goosebery Fruit into the vessel heldout. Then all those present chanted 'Kanakadhara Stotra' in chorus and started in procession. There was a Float depicting that incident-young Shankara receiving Goosebery fruit from a Nambudiri lady. The 2nd procession started from Melpazhur Mana, the house where Aryamba, the mother of Sri Shankara was born. The 3rd procession started from Manicka Mangalam Sri Durga Temple. This Sri Durga was the tutelary deity of Sri Shankara's family. Contd, on Page 22

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have, with great respect, assembled at this Kalaty Kshetram for this year's Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahotsavam. It is our desire that efforts should be taken by every sishya, every citizen, everyone engaged in the administration of the Government of this Country, and everyone of the legislators entrusted with the sacred duty of framing the laws of the land and the administration of justice to protect this ancient, sacred, and time honoured Sanatana Dharma for all times.

We hereby express our hearty blessings to all of you for the successful realisation of the above objects.

—Narayanasmaranam.

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Dharma Vijaya Yathra of Jagadguru Sannidhanam H. H. SRI BHARATHI THEERTHA MAHASWAMIJI in Andhra Pradesh from 4-6-89 To 29-6-89

DATE	PLACE OF DEPARTURE	PLACE OF ARRIVAL	DISTRICT
4-6-89	Rajahmundry	Tuni	East Godavari
5-6-89	Tuni	Bhimunipatnam	Visakhapatnam
6-6-89	Halt at Bhimunipatnam		-do-
7-6-89	Bhimunipatnam	Visakhapatnam	-do-
8-6-89	Visakhapatnam	Narsipatnam	-do-
9-6-89	Narsipatnam	Annavaram	East Godavari
10-6-89	Annavaram	Kakinada	-do-
11-6-89	Kakinada	Vedurupaka	-do-
12-6-89	Vedurupaka	Tanuku	West Godavar
13-6-89	Tanuku	Tadepalligudem	-do-
14-6-89	Tadepalligudem	Eluru	-do-
15-6-89	Halt at Eluru		-do-
16-6-89	Eluru	Seetanagaram	-do-
17-6-89	Seetanagaram	Kottagudem	Khamm
18-6-89	Kottagudem	Narasampet	Warangal
19-6-89	Narasampet	Kaleswaram	Karimnagar
20-6-89	Kaleswaram	Vemulavada	-do-
21-6-89	Vemulavada	Mancherial	Adilabad
22-6-88	Halt at Mancherial		-do-
23-6-89	Mancherial	Karimnagar	Karimnagar
24-9-89	Halt at Karimnagar		-do-
25-6-89	Karimnagar	Warangal	Warangal
26-6-89 to 29-6-89	Halt at Warangal for Pratishtha Kumbhabhishekam to Sri Sharada Devi and Sri Shankarabhagavatpadacharya at the newly constructed Sri Sringeri Shankara Math, Warangal on 28-6-89.		-do-

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97.3% pass in SSLC Examination in Sri Jagadguru Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Balika Proudha Shala

Out of the 75 students of Sri Jagadguru Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Balika Proudha Shala (Girls High School) who appeared for the SSLC Exams this year, 73 have passed. There are 27 Ist class & 28 IInd class passes.

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The other Floats that came in the Procession were (1) Sri Shankara in Purna River with Crocodile gripping a leg and Aryamba standing on the shore, granting consent for renuciation. (2) Sri Shankara sitting in Samadhi while the Kapalika, who came to take the head of Sri Shankara, being pounced upon by Padmapada who turned into the form of Nrusimha & (3) Sri Adi Shankara with His Four principal Sishyas, The charectors in all the Four Aloats were best chosen.

The Shobha Yathra

Procession, started from Sri Sringeri Math with three decorated Elephants, 21 colourful Umbrellas, Pancha Vadyam, Nadaswaram, Chatti Vadyam etc., Women joined the Procession in large numbers. Youngsters were singing Bhajans.

H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam sat on the top of the Car and joined the Procession facing Sri Adi Shankara's Uthsava Murthi that was placed a decorated vehicle and pulled by devotees. The Jagadguru was in the procession upto the rear entrance of Sri Krishna's Temple.

In front of all the houses enroute Parai was placed and elderly persons, women & children paid respects to Sri Shankara.

The impression of this grand procession is bound to linger in the memories of the Kalaty people and those who came to attend the functions, forever.

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BRANCH NEWS

Rameswaram Branch Celebrates Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava from 6th to 10th May

Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava was conducted at Sri Sringeri Shankara Math, at Rameswaram with daily Mahanyasa poorvaka Rudrajapam, Abhishekam, Archana and Special poojas. Many Pandits & devotees participated, On the Jayanthi day, on 10th, the Uthsava Muruthi of Sri Shankara Bhagavathpada was taken in Procession through the four Car Streets of Rameswaram.

Many Sishyas of the Math from Tamilnadu had made Liberal offerings for the Jayanthi Mahothsava.

12th Birth Centenary Celebration of Sri Adi Shankara at Kalaty

Kalati Discovered

Sri Sachidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswami was one of the greatest Saints of modern times. He was the 33rd peetadhipathi of Dakshinamnaya Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetham, which is the foremost of the Four Peethas founded by Sri Adi Shankara. He adorned the Peetham for a period of thirty three years upto 1912A.D. This illustrious Saint desired a re-descent of Sri Shankara Bhagavathpada and accomplished this by embarking upon vitally important Projects.

One of them was the redeeming of the place of Birth of Bhagavathpadacharya and making it a Centre of Spiritual illumination. According to Madhaveeya Shankara Vijayam which is the most early and authoritative biography of Sri Adi Shankara.

Kalaty is the place of Birth of Sri Shankara. But the place which was only in dim memory was re-discovered at the instance of Sri Satchidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswami. Who deputed K. Seshadri Iyer, (a distinguished Dewan of Mysore) to go to Travancore State for this purpose.

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K. Seshadri Iyer went to Kerala, identified Kalady Village and the area where Sri Shankara lived and cleared that patch of land. Sri Jagadguru then deputed his dear Sishya Nadukaveri Srinivasa Sastry to go to Kalaty and celebrate Sri Shankara Jayanthi as a five-day festival. In obedience to the Jagadguru's commands and with his own urge to visit the place of Birth of Sri Adi Shankara, Nadukaveri Srinivasa Sastry, visited Kalaty for some years in succession for Celebrating Sri Shankara Jayanthi.

In 1905 N. Srikanta Sastry, the Agent of the Math and Shri A. Ramachandra Iyer (a former Chief Justice of the High-Court of Travancore and later a Judge of the High-Court of Mysore) were deputed by the Jagadguru to go to Trivandrum and wait on Sri Rama Verma Mulam Thirunal, the Maharaj of Trivancore, for the consent and support of that Head of State for developing the Birth Place of Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada. His Highness Mulam Thirunal Maharaja and his Dewan Shri B. P. Madava Rao extended whole hearted support for fulfilling the wishes of the Jagadguru.

The Government acquired the area known as Kundakara Puraipayam No. 115 which was in the name of Kaipalli (name of the Illom-house-to which Sri Shankara belonged.) Nambudiri and which was then in the possession of Thekkematam Swamiyar and also other Lands in Kalladikara Manjappra Proverthy in Kuttanad Taluk which are associated with Sri Shankara , containing the lands known as the Birth Place of Sri Shankara, the site where His house stood and the site where He cremated the mortal remains of His Motter. As per the Government Order of 27th Jan. 1906, this is a measure adopted for preservation of the Birth Place of Sri Shankaracharya, the great Religious Teacher & Reformer whose name is held in veneration through-out India; and that the locality is treated as Sanketham, a place of sanctity. The Maharaja offered this acquired land to the Jagadguru of Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetham together with a Kanikke of Rs. 10,000/-.

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Twin Temples Consecrated

The Jagadguru highly appreciatad the gesture of Maharaja of Travancore and graciously accepted the Land and Kanikke and deputed A. Ramachandra Iyer to rehabilitate the place. A. Ramachandra Iyer with his Engineer-associate E. R. Subbaraya Iyar did meritorious service in successfully rehabilitating the place, and re-capturing its Spiritual Serinity. Twin Temples-one for Sri Shankara and the other for Sri Sharadamba-were constructed and the Jagadguru fixed 21st Feb. 1910 as the date for Prathista. Much earlier in Feb. 1907 Sri Satchidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Swamy started from Sringeri on a Dharma Vijaya Yathra towards the South; and the destination was at Kalaty. All along the triumphal tour, the disciples offered Kanikke for this great spiritual Project, which amounted to Rs. Two Lakhs. The Maharaja of Travancore made another Kanikke of Rs. 10,000/-

Early in 1910, the Jagadguru reached Perumbavur which is on the other banks of Purna River at a distance of about 5 miles from Kalaty. While at Perumbavur, the Jagadguru had beautific vision of Sri Aryamba, the Mother of Sri Shankara which set the seal of devine approval of the great mission of the Sringeri Peetadhipathi. The happiness of the Jagadguru knew no bounds and the thousands of devotees got over-whelmed with devotion & joy when the Prathista Kumbabhishekams of Sri Shankara & Sri Sharadamba were performed with the Holy Hands of the Jagadguru Himself. Hymns were addressed to Sri Shankara and Sri Sharadamba by the 33rd Jagadguru of Sringeri on the occasion of the consecration, at the renasscent Kalaty.

Development of Kalaty Math Branch

The succeeding Jagadguru, Sri Chandrashekara Bharathi Mahaswamy established Veda Pathashala at Kalaty and further expanded the Sacred Place. His successor, Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya

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Theertha Mahaswamiji embarked upon various expansion Programms for furthering the religious and spiritual activities there. Jagadguru Sannidhanam H. H. Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji is keen on implimenting the expension Programms, and in the establishment of a Sanskrit University at this Sacred Place.

Adi Shankara Jyothi Digvijaya

It was at the command of the Jagadgurus H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam and H. H. Sri Sannidhanam that the Digvijaya of Sri Adi Shankara Jyothi was organised and taken in Ratham, to all parts of the Country, from Kalaty-the Birth place, to Kedar, the Place of Disappearance of Sri Shankara, for rekindling the devotion and reverence of the people towards Sri Shankara Bhagavathpada, who was the real architect for the re-establishment and preservation of Sanatana Dharma and who was the foremost in forging Religious Unity and National Integration.

Sri Shankara Jayanthi Celebration & 12th Birth Centenary

Sri Shankara was born in 1788A.D. and He disappeared in 1820A.D. at the age of 32. The 12th Birth Centenary Celebrations Commenced on 21st April 1988 on Sri Shankara Jayanthi day and it concluded on 9th May 1989. Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji visited Kalaty and graced the Celebrations which included Seminars on Sanskrit and Advaita Vedantha. The functions commenced on 6th May with daily Maha-Rudra-Japa, Abhisheka, Special Pooja and Parayana of Prasthana-thraya Bhasya, Chaturveda etc., There was Sabas on all the five-days in which emminent scholars participated.

6th May

On 6th May, Prof. K.P. Babudhas of Sri Shankara College spoke in Malayalam about the relevance of Advaita today.

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Prof. V. Vadyalinga Sharma of Trichur gave an exposition of the Life of Sri Shankara. There was another Lecture in Tamil.

7th May

On 7th May, a Sanskrit Conferrence was held in the August presence of H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam. Prof. R.P. Potti, the Principal of Sri Shankara College welcomed the gathering & introduced to the speakers.

Dr. G. Gangadharan Nayar, President of the Kerala Kendra of Viswa Samskrutha, Prathistanam spoke about the need for improvements to be made at School-level in teaching sanskrit and the need to allot adequate time (periods) for Sanskrit Language. He also demonstrated how children can be taught to converse in simple chaste sanskrit.

Prof. G. Viswanath Sharma, Retd. Prof. in Sanskrit, Tripunitura College, spoke in Sanskrit emphasising that Sanskrit can be used as the common link Language, as all Indian Languages owe their birth & growth to Sanskrit.

Dr. K. Chandrashekara Iyer, Prof. of Vyakarana in Tripunitura Government College proposed a Resolution Stressing the need to set up immediately a Sanskrit University at Kalaty, as agreed to by the Governments. The large gathering unanimously adopted the Resolution, chanting 'OM'.

Jagadguru Sri Mahasannidhanam in the Anugraha Bhashanum in Sanskrit dwelt on the rich heritage of Sanskrit Language and the greatness of Sri Adi Shankara. His Holiness stressed that Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada did not belong to any cast or community but to the entire Nation.

8th May

Shiromani Shri B. Venkateswara Iyer Principal of Kalaty Platinum Jubilee Sanskrit College spoke about Vedas and its Sub-divisions.

Shri Venkatasubramanya Sastrigal of Kallidaikuruchi spoke on 'Gurubhakthi'.

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9th May

Darshanacharya Sri K. Narayana Bhat Sastrigal of Advaita Vedantha Patashala, Kalady, speaking in Sanskrit said that all Sastras-theist and atheist-fall short of their aim to realise Atman and that it is only Advaita Vedantha propounded in Upanisads and propagated by Sri Adi Shankara that helps us to realise our identity with the Supreme Self.

Prof. B. Keshavan Nambudiri, speaking in Malayalam stressed the need of Bhakthi in one's life.

Shri Sundareswara Sastrigal of Mahadanapuram explained the greatness of Sringeri Acharyas.

Sri Shankara Vijaya Parayana & Vivekachudamani Discusses

On all the three days. Aasthana Vidwan Shri Narasimhamurthy Sastri did Parayana of Sri Madhaveeya Shankara Vijaya and Vidwan Vedantha Shiromani Shri A. Shankara Sharma conducted. K. V. Krishna Iyer Memorial Lectures' on 'Vivekachudamani'.

SEMINAR ON ADVAITA VEDANTHA

On 10th May

On the concluding day, there was a Seminar on Advita Vedantha in the forenoon. Prof. K. S. R. Panikar welcomed the gathering and introduced to the speakers.

Shrimad Swami Mridananda, President: Shri Ramakrishna Ashram Trichur, speaking in Malayalam said that there were only 'Karmatas' in Kerala during the time of Shankara but today Kerala accepts Advaita. The re-discovery of Kalaty by Sri Satchidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswamiji and His visit to the Birth Place of Sri Adi Shankara, brought to an end, as it were, the supposed curse which was hanging there for a thousand years on the people of this Place. The place which was in oblivion has attained prominence. The Swamiji dwelt at length on the mis-interpretation of the words of Sri Shankara, viz, 'Jagan Mitya' and emphasised that Sri Shankara meant that the entire creation is only a superimposition on Bramhan which is the Real, as in the example of the superimposition of Snake on the Rope.

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Shri P. Parameswaran, Director, Barathiya Vichara Kendra said that only after the decline of Buddisum which was very much seen in 7th & 8th century, that Sri Shankara came and re-established Sanatana Dharma and Vedic Path. He said that the propogenda by some modern politicians that the advancement of other Sciences suffered in India, due to Advaita Vedantha Philosophy, is utterly wrong and baseless. He explained that all other Sciences are the branches and limbs of Vedantha.

Shri A. R. Srinivasan, Retd. District Judge of Trichur said that Sri Adi Shankara was a personification of compassion and that Shri Narayana Guru, the Champion of the down-trodden has in his ,Anukampa Dasaka' lauded the Karuna-compassion, of Krishna, Buddha, and Shankara.

SRI KRISHNA TEMPLE at KALADY

Celebrates Sri Shankara Jayanthi

Sri Shankara Jayanthi was Celebrated with Special Pujas & Kalabha on 10th May. Temple's Thanthri Taranallor Kitangassery Padmanabhan Namboodiripad led the Poojas and Kalasabhisheka accompanied and assisted by other Karmies. After Special Poojas the Kalabha Pooja in the morning, Kalabha Abhisheka was performed in the forenoon. Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji visited the temple for blessing the Kalabham and devotees present. Shri K. S. Damodaran Namboodiri, the Managing Trustee of the Temple organised the Celebration.

Public Function

On 10th afternoon, a Public Function was held in a specially errected pandal in the Math Complex, in the august presence of Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji.

Shri p. E. B. Manon, the President of the Celebration Committee, after offering Pranams to the Jagadguru, welcomed the speakers and the devotees who had gathered in large numbers.

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Shri Thachil George, President of Kalady Panchayat and Shri M. V. Mani M.L.A. offered their felicitations and paid their respects on the behalf of all the people of the area.

Shri A. Ramaswamy I.A.S. of Karnataka State Service spoke about the Acharyas of Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetham and narrated asto how Sri Satchidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswamiji unembowered Kalaty, the Birth Place of Sri Adi Shankara.

Shri H. S. Subramanya I. R. S. Commissioner of Incometax, Trivandrum said that there will be no Hinduiasm to-day if Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada had not re-established the Sanatana Dharma.

Mahakavi Aakkitham explained how Sri Adi Shankara was a confluence of Karma, Bhakthi and Gynana.

Shri L. K. Advani M. P who was the Chief-Guest at the Public Function, paying tributes to Sri Shankara said that He was the greatest 'Unifier' of India and that His teachings are catching the interest of all thinking men of the World, who are coming to the conclusion that there is a Spirit-Chitanya, that is to be taken into consideration and not the material things. He called upon the Centre & State Governments to impliment without any further delay, the proposal to establish a Sanskrit University at Kalaty.

Vidhyarthis Honoured

Two Vidyarthis were honoured with the Presentation of Silk Shawl blessed by the Jagadguru, for their creditable pass in the examinations held at the Veda Patashala at Kalaty. Br. Vasudeva Bhatt who passed in First Class received a purse of Rs. 4,000/-. Br. Vasudeva Karanth who passed in Second Class got a purse of Rs. 3,000/-.

Anugraha Bhashanam of Jagadguru

Jagadguru Mahasannidhanam H. H. Sri Abhinava Vidhya Theertha Mahaswamiji, in his Anugraha Bhashanam in Hindi, dwelt at length on the tenets of Advaita and the Teachings of Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada and said that

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Sri Shankara belonged to the entire Nation and the world and not to any particular Cast, Creed or Community. His Holiness pointed out that Sri Shankara felt that entire Country is one, and the people living in all parts of Bharat, from Himalayas to Kanyakumari and from Gujarat to Assam are all one Nation. That was why Sri Shankara travelled the entire length and breadth of the country and propagated the Vedic Truths and set right religious practices. His impact remains so strong even today, that the people from the extreme North feel the urge to go on Pilgrimage to Rameswaram & Kanyakumari and the people in the South feel themselves Danyas-blessed only after undertaking Pilgrimage to Varanasi, Badri & Kedar. His Holiness exhorted that every one should cultivate the Bavana that all are One.

The Jagadguru pointedout that the Sastra for Paramartha is different from the Sastra for the Lokavyavahara and that Sri Shankara Bhagavatpada has catered to the aptitudes and inclinations of the people in either. His Holiness explained that 'Satya' is the one Reality which 'was' in the past, which 'is' in the present, and which 'will be' in the future. All things which do not satisfy their existence in the three States of time are termed Anitya, and Brahman which is not cognisable by our senses, because it is Asparsham, Aroopam and Achinthyam, is the one Reality, is existence. It is the Mulapadaartha - basic raw-material- from which all other things have comeout and are having their existance, and into which they will merge. The example of the Occean being the Sea-water, the Vapour, the Cloud, the Rain, the Rivers and finally becoming the Occean again was cited.

His Holiness drew the attention of the people to the fact that Sri Shankara, eventhough He knew most of the Indian Languages, chose to write His treatises, expositions, hymns etc., only in Sanskrit which is the

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Common Language for all Indians. It is not a Language for any particular Sector, particular Religion. The teachers of Jainism and Buddism. also employed Sanskrit as the basic medium for communication. His Holiness observed that it will be fitting that a Sanskrit University is established at Kalaty and that it should be established very soon.

The Jagadguru concluded the Bhashanam by re-calling the speach of Mahathma Gandhi that was heared by Him long back, which echoed the feeling and Bhavana of One-ness which radiated from Sri Adi Shankara and asked the people to remember that they are Bharatheyas, whether they hail from Hindu, Muslim or Christian Communities and that they should have one Common Language for the Nation, whatever may be the language chosen.

The Meeting concluded after honouring Shri L. K. Adwani and all the other speakers with Silk Shawl.

Jyothi Ratham Committee Sishyas Receive Blessings

On this Occasion the Jagadguru blessed the following Office - bearers of Sri Adi Shankara Jyothi Digvijaya Committee, by presenting Silk Shawls for the splendid Services rendered by them:-

Sarvashri (1) Chittur, Prof. S. Narayana Nambudiripad, (2) D. Dasaratharaman, (3) R. Kasi Viswanathan, (4) K. S. Neelakanta Iyer, (5) T. Gopala Krishnan and (6) M. M. Subrahmanyam.

Tutichorin Branch conducts Many Programms in April

The Tutichorin Branch of Sri Sringeri Shankara Math in Tamilnadu celebrated a number of functions in the month of April as detailed below:-

7th - Aaradhana of Parama Guru Sri Satchidananda Sivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswami.

11th - Vardhanthi of Jagadguru Sannidhanam H. H. Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji.

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14th to 23rd - Sri Rama Navami Mahothsava.

Sri Rama Janana Patana & Sri Rama Laksharchana on 14th & 15th, Sri Rama Akhanda Turakanama on 16th & 17th, Music concerts on 17th & 21st, Bhajans on 18th, 20th & 22nd & discourse on 19th, Sri Seetha Kalyanam, feeding, Procession of Sri Rama's Picture & Anjaneya Uthasavam on 23rd.

As usual the Sri Rama Navami function was organised by the Sishyas of the Math under the auspices of Sri Rama Navami Janana Mahothsava Committee.

Sri Sringeri-Shivaganga Math Celebrates Sri Shankara Jayanthi & Sri Sharadamba Rathotsava

Under the immediate presence of H.H. Sri Satchidananda Bharathi Mahaswami, the Matadhipathi of Sri Sringeri Shivaganga Math. Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava was celebrated at the Math premises with great enthusiasm and Bhakthi.

On the Jayanthi Day, Sri Sharadamba Rathothsava was celebrated. A large number of devotees from near by villages, Tumkur, Bangalore & other places attended the celebrations.

Sri Shankara Jayanthi Mahothsava at Srinivasapura

The Guru Seva Samithi of Srinivasapura, celebrate Sri Shankara Jayanthi from 6th to 10th May '89 with Guru Bhajan, Surya Namaskara, Sri Shankara Vijaya & Geetha Parayana, Mahanyasapoorvaka Ekadashavara Rudrabhisheka, Sahasranamarchane, Evening procession, Bhajan, Upanyasa etc.,

On the Jayanthi Day, the town & taluk Brahmana Sabha conducted joint upanayana.

All the functions were conducted at Sri Shankara Math which is functioning under the benign blessings of Sringeri Jagadgurus.

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Hyderabad Celebrates Sri Shankara Jayanthi

Jagadguru Sannidhanam's participation in Seminar

The Sringeri Shankaracharya Samaahvaana Sangham of Hyderabad City arranged for the Celebration of Sri Shankara Jayanthi in a grand manner from 6th to 10th May as per the following Programme:-

6th May Morning

Veda Ghosha & Prayer to Sri Shankara
Welcome : Sri P. Venkateswarlu
Inauguration by lighting the Jyothi:
Sri A. Kuppu Swami (Ex-Chief Justice, A. P. High Court)
Benediction by H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Teertha Swamiji
Vote of Thanks : Dharmadhikari Sri A. Satyanarayana Murty

Evening

Vedic Invocation and Prayer to Sri Shankara
Chief Guest : Sri B. V. Rama Rao, I. A. S.,
(Principal Secretary, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh)
Welcome : Sri P. M. Gopala Rao, Advocate
Speeches : Sri Laxmi Narayana Sastry and
Dr. P. Sriramachandrudu, M. A., Ph d.
Benediction : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji
Vote of Thanks : Sri M. Seshagiri, Publisher
Sri Shankara Krupa.
Mangala Aarathi.

7th May and 8th May

SEMINAR in English on Myriad Minded Genius of Sri Shankara

7th May Morning

Vedic Invocation and Prayer to Sri Shankara
Welcome : Sri J. V. Suryanarayana Rao, Advocate
Inauguration : Hon'ble Sri J. Vengle Rao
(Minister Govt. of India)

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Benediction : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji.

Introduction of Participants Dr. P. Sriramachandrudu

(i) 'Date of Shankara Bhagavathpada'
Paramahansa Parivrajaka
Sri Adwayananda Bharathi Swamiji

(ii) 'Sri Shankara Sutra Bhashya and different Buddhist Schools'. by Dr. Ch. Markandeya Sastry, M.A., Ph,d.

Evening

(1) 'The Synthesis of Karma, Bhakthi and Knowledge in Advaita Siddanta' by Prof. V. Narayan Karan Reddy.

(2) 'Science and Advaita Siddhanta' by Dr. Naishadham Prabhakara Rao M. Sc., Ph,d.

Anugraha Bhashanam : H.H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji.

Vote of Thanks : Sri M. P. R. V. Raja Rao

Mangala Aarathi:

8th May Morning

Vedic Invocation and Prayer to Sri Shankara

Welcome : Sri C. Parthasarathi

Benediction : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji

Introduction of participants : Sri P. Sriramachandrudu

(i) 'Adwaita Vedanta & The Society', 'The Vision of Shankara by : Prof. Srirama Murthy.

(ii) 'The roots of Para Psychology in Viveka Chudamani' Sri B. Rama Mohan Rao, Advocate.

Evening

(i) 'The role and Influence of Sri Shankara's Stotras in Philosophy and daily life': Dr. B. R. Sastry M,A., Ph.d.

(ii) 'Post Shankara Thought-the Three Prasthanams and Brahma Siddhi': Dr. G. Sundara Ramaiah

Anugraha Bhashanamu : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji

Mangala Arathi

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9th May Morning

SEMINAR in Telugu

Vedic invocation and Prayer to Shankara

Prayer to Sri Saraswati

Welcome : Sri C. Ramakrishna

Inauguration : Prof. T. Donappa
Vice Chancellor, Telugu University

Benediction : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji

Introduction of Speakers: Sri T. Anjaneya Sastry MA.

Guide Lines by Paramahansa Parivrajaka
Adwayananda Bharathi Swamiji

i) 'Telugu Maha Bharata & Adwaita Bhavamu'
Dr. S. Raghunatha Sarma M. A.Phd.,

ii) 'Telugu Ramayanam and Sri Sankara'
(M/s. Bhaskara, Ranganatha, Gopinatha, Viswanatha)
& Prof. K. Suprasannacuaryulu M. A. Phd.,

iii) 'Sri Sankara Prabhava' Nachana Somana, Sreenatha, Pothana. and Prof : G. V.Subrahmanyam

Evening:

1) Prabandha Poets: 'Sankara Doctrine'
(Dhurjati, Soorana, Pillalamarri)
Dr. V. Subrahmanaya Sastry

2) Modern Telugu Literature. 'The Message of Sri Shankara'
Prof : K.Ramakoti Sastry M. A. Ph.d.

Anugraha Bhashanam : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji

Vote of Thanks : Sri G. V. L. Narasimha Rao

Mangala Aarati.

10th May Fore noon

Vedic invocation and Prayer to Sri Sankara

Welcome : Sri T. Venkata Narayana

Chief Guest : Hon'ble Justice Sri M. Jagannadha Rao

Benediction : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji

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Speech : Sri Peri Suryanarayana Sastry
Vote of Thanks : Sri NSR Anjaneyulu

Evening

Vedic invocation and Prayer to Sri Shankara
Chief Guest : Sri J. Bapu Reddy IAS
HR & E. Commissioner
Speeches : (i) Sri Maddulapalli Manikya Sastry
(ii) Sri V. Gopala Krishnamurthy. M. A.
Anugraha Bhashanam : H. H. Sri Jagadguru Sannidhanam
Bharathi Theertha Swamiji
Vote of Thanks : Sri GVSR Anjaneyulu

Dharma Vijaya Yathra of H. H. Sri Mahasannidhanam in the state of Karnataka from 27-5-89 to 3-6-89

DATE	DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL
27-5-89	Dharwad	Ankola
28-5-89	Halt at Ankola	
29-5-89	Ankola	Karwar
30-5-89	Karwar	Gokarna
31-5-89	Halt at Gokarna	
1-6-89	Gokarna	Banavasi
2-6-89	Banavasi	Sagar
3-6-89	Sagar	Sringeri

BRANCH NEWS

Tirunelveli Branch Celebrates Vardhanthi of H. H. Sri Sannidhanam

The 39th Vardanthi of Jagadguru Sannidhanam, H. H Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji was celebrated on 11th April '89, in a grand manner with Homa, Puja, Upanishad Parayana, Feeding etc., at the Tirunelveli Branch of Sri Sringeri Shankara Math in Tamilnadu. Hundreds of devotees attended the function. Shri P. S. Nataraja-Iyer, the Dharmadhikari, Shri N. Ramakrishnan, Member of the Board of Management of Sharada Dhanvantari Charitable Hospital and a number of Sishyas took active part in organising the Birth-day function.

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Varshabhishekam at Tirupur

Jagadguru Sannidhanam H. H. Sri Bharathi Theertha Mahaswamiji inaugurated Sri Sringeri Shankara Math at Tirupur & installed Godess Sri Sharadamba at the newly constructed Temple on 11-4-1988. It was a unique performance of the Tirupur Devotees and Shri M. Raja of Coimbatore that temple for which Foundation Stone was laid by H. H. Sri Sannidhanam on 11th Dec 1987 was constructed within a record time of about three months.

On 1st April this year, Varshabhishekam was performed with great enthusiasm & devotion. Devotees from nearby places and Coimbatore attended the Abhishekam and Special Puja performed that day. Shri T. Sundaram, the Dharmadhikari of Sri Sringeri Math at Tirupur, Shri N. Ramachandran and a number of Sishyas took active part in organising the function.

Tirunelveli Branch conducts Aaradhana of Sri Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswami

The Aaradhana of Sri Satchidananda Shivabhinava Nrusimha Bharathi Mahaswami was conducted on 7th April 89, at the Tirunelveli-Town Branch of Sri Sringeri Shankara Math by Shri Krishna Ganapatigal the Prohith of the Math. Hundreds of devotees attended the Puja and Upanishad Parayana and took Prasad.

Tirunelveli Branch Celebrates Shankara Jayanthi

Tirunelveli Branch of Sri Sringeri Shankara Math celebrated Sri Shankara Jayanthi as a Five day festival from 6th to 10th May '89 at Sri Sringeri Shankara Math Premises in Tirunelveli Town, in Tamilnadu. Daily there were Rudra Japa, Abhisheka, Puja, Upanishad Parayana & Upanyasa.

On 10th evening, there was a procession of Sri Adi Shankara's picture. A large number of devotees participated in the Festival.

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present. Their possession of various insignias of spiritual royalty is no mere show but a recognition of their great mission, and the subject-monarch relationship between them and their disciples, the latter offering devotion and the former the guidance without which personal effort will be in vain.

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4. But at the present time, we are confronted by a crisis that may well destroy the great spiritual and philosophic inheritance that has come down to us from the times of Vedas. The position today is some what similar to what obtained at the time of the advent of the Bhagavatpada, only the crisis is a more serious one. Then, there was a spiritual and moral chaos resulting from the deterioration of Budhism into a jungle of ritual and Tantra and the denial of scripture and God; and a similar perversion in Hindu religion of the pristine teaching of the Upanishads into unwholesome excercenses like the Mahabharatas of the Saivas, and Vamachara of Saktas, Ganapatyas, Sauras and others.

5. Today some deny God and are unable to recognise the evidence of His omnecient benignity. Others pretend to be Godmen and promise the weary and the uninstucted a facile salvation. A few of them catch the attention of the ignorant by the exhibition of magical powers. Many persons are sunk in the search for worldly success and give no thought of the morrow. They have rejected traditional value but have nothing to replace them with and the result is an erosion of morality and ethics without which no spiritual progress is possible. Everyone is after something quick and trouble free. They want happinss but without knowing what is true happiness and without arduously striving for it. It is more than ever necessary now to restore Sanatana Dharma to its rightful place in individual and social life; else, very soon all will be lost and future generations will be wallowing in ignorance without any knowledge of the treasure which is already theirs.

6. But there are glimerings of light and rays of hope. The west has come to realise that meterial success does not bring happiness. The affluent society is an amoral jungle where spiritual darkness prevails. They are turning towards the East for spiritual affluence. In Bharata Varsha also

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there is revival of the religious spirit although not always in the right direction.

7. We, the Pontiffs of the Four Amnaya Peethas have a paramount duty to perform in this context. The principal problem is how to restore and revitalise the Sanatana Dharma as a way of life, as path of salvation. Here we would like to raise a caution. Man is ever the same and external circumstances have little to do with the relentless quest of the human mind to traverse the ocean of Samsara. We believe that the principles and procedures mentioned in the Sastra are as valid today as ever before. They are for all time and do not change. They are for all people and not for the people of one country, says Sastra.

Advaita is not a mere religion. It is a universal way of life. The world is the family of God. The Upanishad says: 'The knower of Brahman obtains the Highest'. All aspects of our religion stem from this central doctrine.

8. But we have to temper the spiritual discipline to the 'deservingness' of each person. Therefore has the Lord shown many methods the way of Bhakti, the way of Karma Yoga and finally the way of Jnana or realisation. This is our task today; to preach and practise this eternally valid doctrine.

9. It is not necessary for us to go into details In this statement. The restoration of our pandits to the honoured place that they deserve, the provision of institutional opportunities for learning the Vedic chants, the inclusion of Sanskrit in every school curriculam, the preservation of the rituals which are part of the Smritis and to train persons for conducting them, to make our great temples and places of pillgrimage genuine centres for the practice of devotion, to start pathashalas for the young and part-time courses in the teaching of the Sastras for the old, these and hundreds of other things have to be done.

—NARAYANA SMARANAM

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